

REMARKS

Claims 32-51 are now pending in the application. Claims 1-31 have been cancelled. The amendments to the claims contained herein are intended to broaden the scope thereof and, thus, are not a narrowing amendment. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejections in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

DRAWINGS

The drawings stand objected to for certain informalities. Applicants have attached revised drawings for the Examiner's approval. In the "Replacement Sheet" for page 9 of the drawings Figure 5A has been amended to read "15A" as suggested by the Examiner.

SPECIFICATION

The specification stands objected to for certain informalities. Applicants have amended the specification according to the Examiner's suggestions. Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of this objection are respectfully requested.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 22, 23 and 28-31 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wisnewski (U.S. Pat. No. 6,141,832). Each of these claims is canceled herein, without prejudice. Accordingly, this rejection is rendered moot.

ALLOWED CLAIMS

Applicants respectfully thank the Examiner for indicating that Claims 32-49 are allowed. Applicants have amended each of independent Claims 32 and 42 in a way that broadens these claims but does not affect the Examiner's assessment of patentability. Specifically, the language "between about 15 degrees and about 25 degrees" has been deleted from the claims. With respect to the rejection of Claims 22, 23 and 28-31, the Examiner indicated that it was his opinion that "the range of degrees is considered to be no more than an obvious design consideration within the skill of the art." Therefore, the elimination of this language from the claims allowed by the Examiner, does not affect the Examiner's assessment of patentability. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request allowance of all the currently pending claims as indicated by the Examiner.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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